(b) if so, what steps Government have taken in this Direction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) and (b). New agreement is to be arrived at after completing the negotiations.

Brady Plan on foreign debt repayments

2964. SHRI CHITTA BASU: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have since given their consent to the implementation of Brady Plan on foreign debt repayments; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) and (b). The Interim Committee of the International Monetary Fund at its meeting held on April 3-4, 1989 considered the proposals made by several countries—including that of the Secretary of the US Treasury Mr. Brady, designed to deal with the debt position and to place greater emphasis on debt and debt servic reduction. The Committee requested the Executive Board of the IMF to consider the issues and action involved in the proposals and also agreed that the Fund hould provide resources in appropriate mounts to members to facilitate debt reluction operations for countries undertaking sound economic reforms, by setting side a portion of the members purchases nder Fund supported Arrangements. Vhile welcoming the provision of additional funds by industrialised countries nd multilateral institutions to all developing countries especially low income countries, we have stressed the need for the ind to have an objective criteria for nding support to the member countries and to keep conditionality at an appropriate level. We have also stated that support for debt reduction programmes should not come in the way of normal operations of the Fund to support member countries in their balance of payments needs.

Reduction in the supply of Irrigation Water to West Bengal by the DVC

2965. SHRI CHITTA BASU: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Damodar Valley Corporation (DVC) has been reducing the supply of irrigation water to West Bengal for the last few years;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) the quantity of water supplied from DVC to West Bengal during the last five years; yearwise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES AND THE MINISTRY OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a)and (b). Th releases from D.V.C. Reservoirs for irrigation in West Bengal are made under the guidance of Damodar Valley Reservoir Regulation (DVRR) Committee on which the Govenment of West Bengal is also represented.

(c) Taking into account the available storage position, the DVRR Committee had allocated 476, 784, 653, 604 and 425 million cubic metres of water in 1984-85, 1985-86, 1986-87, 1987-88 and 1988-89 respectively.

Donations to political parties in India by the Agha Khan

2966. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state whether the Agha Khan who visited India earlier this year made any donations to any political party; if so, to whom and how much?